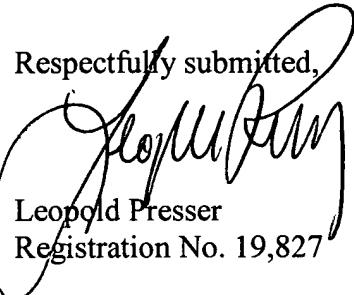


REMARKS

As originally filed, claims 4-8 and 12 did not comply with the multiple dependent claim style specified by U.S. law. The amendments submitted above have been made to delete all multiple dependent claims and to place the claims in better condition for U.S. prosecution. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

It is respectfully requested that the above amendments be entered before an action on the merits is issued.

Respectfully submitted,


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